



PC AGENDA: 2-12-03

ITEM: 3.c.

Memorandum

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: Stephen M. Haase

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: February 5, 2003

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 4

SUBJECT: VACATION OF MILL STREET, WEST OF HOPE STREET AND VACATION OF A PORTION OF LIBERTY STREET, SOUTH OF MOFFAT STREET (ALVISO PLANNED COMMUNITY)

BACKGROUND

This is a City initiated request to vacate Mill Street, west of Hope Street and Liberty Street, south of Moffat Street. Because the streets are unimproved and are being used exclusively by the adjacent property owners (US Government/Santa Clara Valley Water District) as a point of access to their properties, it has been determined that the streets are not needed for present or future public uses.

The Department of Public Works supports the proposed vacation and recommends that it be approved. All concerned utility companies have been contacted and have no objections to the proposed vacation, provided that a public service easement is reserved. Accordingly, a public service easement and an access easement will be reserved over the entire portion of the right-of-way proposed to be vacated.

This vacation is in conformance with the adopted San José 2020 General Plan Land Use/Transportation Diagram and the Alviso Master Plan in that the proposed vacation of Mill Court and the subject portion of Liberty Street would not change the allowed uses on the adjoining properties nor any streets designated as a Major Collector Street on the Land Use/Transportation Diagram.

CEQA

Under the provisions of Section 15305 of the State Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as stated below, this project is found to be exempt from environmental review because it only consists of a minor alteration in land use limitations which does not result in any changes to land use or density.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning Staff recommends approval of the vacation to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

Stephen M. Haase, AICP, Director
Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

Attachments

MM:ll/207-22